



## **2008 National Library Week Quiz**

### **The Utah State Courts Today – Answers**

**1. Who is the newest district court judge?**

- a. Michele Christiansen
- b. David Connors
- c. Robert Faust
- d. Douglas Thomas

**Answer:** Judge David Connors of the Second District is our newest judge. He started in January 2008.

**2. Which of these has been a judge with the Utah State Courts the longest?**

- a. John C. Backlund
- b. Christine M. Durham
- c. Sheila K. McCleve
- d. Rodney S. Page
- e. W. Brent West

**Answer:** Chief Justice Christine Durham has been with the courts the longest. She was appointed to the District Court bench in 1978, and in 1982 she was appointed to be a supreme court justice.

Judge John C. Backlund of the Fourth District is in second place. He was appointed to the bench in 1983.

Judge Sheila McCleve (Third District), Judge Rodney Page (Second District) and Judge W. Brent West (Second District) tie for third place. They were appointed in March of 1984.

**3. How many juvenile court judges are there in Utah?**

- a. 16
- b. 28
- c. 37
- d. 44

**Answer:** There are 28 juvenile court judges in Utah.

**4. How many people work for the Utah State Courts?**

- a. about 800
- b. about 1300
- c. about 2600
- d. about 4200

**Answer:** 1162 full time positions and 154 part time positions for a total of 1316 total positions (as of March 5, 2008)

**5. What is the most popular last name for a judge in the history of the Utah State Courts, including juvenile courts but not city/justice courts?**

- a. Anderson
- b. Christensen
- c. Erickson
- d. Hansen

**Answer:** Anderson is the most popular last name with 5 juvenile and 3 district judges for a total of eight. Hansen is the second most popular with 1 juvenile and 4 district judges for a total of five.